



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
WOMEN'S COMMISSION
KATJANA BALLANTYNE
MAYOR

DENISE MOLINA CAPERS, ESQ
DIRECTOR OF RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Women's Commission Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2022
7:00 pm

Women's Commission Member	Present	Women's Commission Member	Present
Crystal Turner, Co-Chair	X	Arlen Weiner	X
Kimberly Sheridan Co-Chair	X	Deborah Lormeus	X
Stephanie Galaitsi	X	CC Morone	
Denise Molina Capers, Director of Racial and Social Justice, Staff member	X	Lauren Spengler, Commissions Coordinator, Staff Member	X

1. Introductions
2. Minutes
3. Expectations document – RSJ Dept will respond in writing.
 - a. By the end of the week the commissioners will edit the document. 01/21/2022
 - b. Aspirational goals – executive director
4. Women's commission needs to be more involved in the decision making for the city related areas that impact women.
5. Executive committee – Stephanie motion to create, Arlen seconded the motion, all in favor.
 - a. Members of the committee: Crystal, Kim, staffing Lauren
6. Additional committees – how to form those, if they should be formed?
7. What is going on with ARPA funds?
8. Mayor's 100-day plan
9. Outward facing materials are outdated, social media is non-existent, twitter account,
 - a. Twitter account –find out about this, other web accounts
10. Stephanie made a motion to a create policy committee, Kim seconded the motion, all in favor.
11. Request a meeting with mayor Ballantyne – February 15th meeting
 - a. Voices of Somerville survey
 - b. Councilor Strezo
 - c. Set up in advance meetings with councilors, maybe based on subcommittees.
12. Meeting adjourned – 8:56 pm